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Attention: PCT Legal Office, To Commissioner for Patents, Box PCT, Washington DC 20231, US

Petition concerning a PCT National Stage Treatment error/inadvertence,

Related to the International application PCT/IB00/00189, US National stage: Our deadline for the US National Stage was 25 OCT 2000. I have sent to you on 26th September, by POST, with recommendation, the sum of 485\$ representing my fee for entering US National Stage. The same day I have sent you all the forms, oaths and needed documents, and a copy of the POST receipt for the sent POST money order of 485\$.

On 8 NOV 2000 I have received from you (signed Shelby Vigil, Paralegal) a "Notification of Abandonment" sent on 26th OCT 2000, with the reason:

[2.] Failure to provide the full US Basic National Fee by 20 months.

Since I have sent the sum of 485 USD, with recommendation, 1 month in advance, on the address:

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according to the published US-PCT requirements, therefore I want to ask:

- did the money arrive?
- why were they not sufficient?
- · what will happen to them?

I have recently succeeded to contact Carol Bidwell from USPTO and I was told that the oath and other documents, inclusively the POST receipt for the POST money order have arrived to you safely.

Besides, the POST claims that the money order should have reached your institution safely. Last week I have opened a petition against the POST, to check their process again.

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Concurrently,

- since it is possible that the money was delivered timely to your institution and lost within US-PTO,
- given that my announcement (the copy of the POST money order receipt)
 that I have payed you the fee has arrived to you safely, and that you did
 not announce me that the money was lost,
- given that I have done all that I was required, and the problems that have appeared are beyond my control (the money were deduce from my account on 26 SEPT 2000),

please decide in which way the current state of affairs can be corrected? Is it possible to correct all these problems?

I attach:

- Photocopy of the POST receipt for the 485\$,
- Photocopy of my copy of the POST money order (another copy was among the documents I have submitted with the US PCT forms),
- Photocopy of the "Notification of Abandonment" that I have received from you.

Hoping that my petition will be considered, I thank you in advance

Marius Calin Silaghi

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| | NOTIFICATION OF ABANDONMENT |
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| X | e United Stated Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494), an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has made the following termination: |
| 1. | Applicant's letter of express abandonment received CFR 1.138 and is hereby acknowledged. |
| 2. | Applicant has failed to provide the full U.S. Basic National Fee by 20 months (37 CFR 1.494(b)(2)), 30 months (37 CFR 1.495(b)(2)). |
| 3. | Applicant has failed to respond to the notification of MISSING REQUIREMENTS (Form PCT/DO/EO/905), mailed within the time period set therein. |
| 4. | Applicant has failed to properly respond to the notification of MISSING REQUIREMENTS (Form PCT/DO/EO/905), mailed within the time period set therein. See the attached NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE (Form PCT/DO/EO/916). |
| 5. | Other. |
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| The | erefore, the above identified application failed to meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C 371 and 37 CFR 1.494, |
| Ш | 1.495 and is ABANDONED AS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. |
| | SHELBY VIGIL, PARALEGAL |

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